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Response to Notice to File Missing Parts and Petition for Extension of Time

Sir:

This action is responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed on June 7, 2001 as received in the above-identified patent application for which a response was due August 7, 2001. Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for a period of three months thereby bringing the period for response up to and including November 7, 2001. Enclosed is a check in the amount of amount of \$460.00, the surcharge required for a three-month extension of time.

Small Entity Status is claimed. This concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(d). The following **completes the filing** under Rule 53(f) of the above-identified patent application:

1.	Notice	to	File	Missing	Parts
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2. X Signed Declaration enclosed

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3. X Enclosed is an Assignment and cover sheet. Please return the recorded assignment to the undersigned.

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6. Total Claims	39	minus 20 =	39	x \$18/\$09	+	0	103/203
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8. Surcharge for filing Declaration/	\$130/\$65	+	65.00	105/205			
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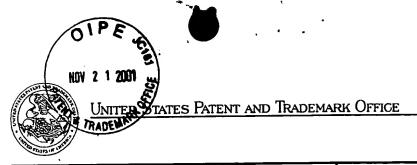
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.

 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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